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BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
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PERS 00J6/20180609

August 30, 2018

Mr. Olivier Bizet
2 Rue Ordener
75018 Paris
France

Dear Mr. Bizet:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek a DD Form 214, photograph, and awards citations pertaining to Robert Klosterman. Your request was received in this office on August 30, 2018, has been assigned FOIA correspondence file number CNPC20180609 by this command.

A releasable copy of responsive information is enclosed. Regretfully, the photograph is of very poor quality. The redacted portions of the released documentation are exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of Robert Klosterman and other identified individuals.

Because your request is partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, in order to be considered. To expedite an appeal, you should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation, "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your request, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031.

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You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) as they provide a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, please go to:

<https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. P. German', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

D. P. GERMAN
FOIA/PA Officer
By direction

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle) KLOSTERMAN, ROBERT CHARLES		2. DEPARTMENT, COMPONENT AND BRANCH NAVY USN		(b)(6)	
3. GRADE, RATE OR RANK E-1	4. PAY GRADE 06	5. (b)(6) (YYMMDD)	6. RESERVE OBLIG. TERM, DATE Year <input type="checkbox"/> Month <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/>		
7.a. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE DUTY (b)(6) OH		7.b. HOME OF RECORD (b)(6) state, or complete address (if known) (b)(6) OH (b)(6)			
8.a. LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND US ATLANTIC COMMAND NORFOLK, VA		8.b. STATION WHERE SEPARATED PERSUPDET LANTFLT NORFOLK, VA. 23551			
9. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED NAVAL RESERVE PERSONNEL CENTER, NEW ORLEANS LA 70149			10. SELL COVER (b)(6) Amount: \$		
11. PRIMARY SPECIALTY (List number, title and years and months in specialty. List additional specialty numbers and titles involving periods of one or more years.) 8501-AVIATOR 28YRS 04MOS 9236-CO AFLOAT CAPT 04YRS 06MOS 9065-STF OPS & PLAN 02YRS 02MOS 9228-XO AFLOAT 01YRS 11MOS 8670-SQN CO 01YR 05MOS 8190-A/C IMNT GEN 04YRS 02MOS 8672-SQN XO 01YRS 05MOS		12. RECORD OF SERVICE			
		a. Date Entered AD This Period			
		b. Separation Date This Period			
		c. Net Active Service This Period			
		d. Total Prior Active Service			
		e. Total Prior Inactive Service			
		f. Foreign Service			
		g. Sea Service			
h. Effective Date of Pay Grade					
13. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED (All periods of service) DEFENSE SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL; LEGION OF MERIT (2); MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (3); AIR MEDAL (15); NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL W/2 COMBAT "U"; NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL W/2 COMBAT "U"; COMBAT ACTION RIBBON; PRESIDENTIAL UNIT					
14. MILITARY EDUCATION (Course title, number of weeks, and month and year completed) FLEET TACTICAL TRAINING, 03WKS, MAY 91; SURFACE WARFARE OFFICER ADV COMMAND CRSE, 09WKS, MAY 89; NUCLEAR PROPULSION PLANT OPERATOR, 38WKS, JUN 89; SURFACE WARFARE OFFICERS ADV EXECUTIVE COMMAND CRSE, 07WKS, NOV 85;					
15.a. MEMBER CONTRIBUTED TO POST-VIETNAM ERA VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM		Yes	No	15.b. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR EQUIVALENT	Yes
(b)(6)				(b)(6)	
16. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID		(b)(6)			
17. MEMBER WAS PROVIDED COMPLETE DENTAL EXAMINATION AND ALL APPROPRIATE DENTAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO SEPARATION (b)(6)					
18. REMARKS DD-214 PREPARED AND DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUPERSINST 1400.9 THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO COMPUTER MATCHING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OR WITH OTHER AFFECTED FEDERAL OR NON-FEDERAL AGENCY FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES AND TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR AND/OR CONTINUED COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF A FEDERAL BENEFIT PROGRAM. CONT'D BLK 13: CITATION: MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION (5); NAVY RIBBON (3); NAVY EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL; NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL; ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL; VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL; SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE MEDAL; SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON; KUWAIT LIBERATION MEDAL; VIETNAM PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION; REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION (GALLANTRY) 19. MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION (Include Zip Code) (b)(6) 20. NEAREST RELATIVE (Name and address, include Zip Code) (b)(6) 21. (b)(6) 22. (b)(6) 23. (b)(6) 24. (b)(6) 25. (b)(6) 26. (b)(6) 27. (b)(6) 28. (b)(6) 29. (b)(6) 30. (b)(6)					

SPECIAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For use by authorized agencies only)		
23. TYPE OF SEPARATION RETIRED	24. CHARACTER OF SERVICE (Include, if applicable) (b)(6)	
25. SEPARATION AUTHORITY (b)(6)	26. SEPARATION CODE (b)(6)	27. REENTRY CODE (b)(6)
28. NARRATIVE REASON FOR SEPARATION (b)(6)		
29. DATES OF TIME LOST DURING THIS PERIOD (b)(6)		30. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY (b)(6)

SEICER PHOTOGRAPH SUBMISSION SHEET

NAVPER 1070/10 (Rev. 2-85)

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

Authority to request this information is derived from 5 United States Code 301, Departmental Regulations. Purpose of this information is to accompany submission of the photograph. The photograph is used for identification, and for official press releases, when authorized. The photograph and associated information sheet are filed in the officer's official record which is used in the personnel management of Naval Officers. Completion of this form and submission of the photograph are mandatory. Failure to provide either the required information and/or photograph may result in administrative action.

NAME: KLOSTERMAN, ROBERT
(Last) First (Initial)
 GRADE: CAPT
(Officer)
 NUMBER: 1310
(Drugstore)

(b)(6)
 9752803
(Date Photograph Taken)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPH IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 5020140 NMP MANUAL

1. The photograph shall be 2 inches in height and 2 inches in width.
2. Photograph regardless of age.
- a. Upon
- b. Upon
- c. In and
- d. Upon
3. Group photograph
4. Print on white paper and the name of the officer, grade, and service.
5. Photograph used for identification by the individual.
6. Officer's signature and date to produce.



Approved in a photograph

Not Required

LTJG

Director, grade.

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Activities

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Attach photograph with signature

7. Secure photograph against breakage or creasing, label shipping container in upper left-hand corner "PHOTOGRAPH" and forward to the Commanding Naval Military Personnel Center, 1000 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20370-0314.

1. Date

(b)(6)

YES NO

(Signature)

PHOTOGRAPH



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20370-5000

IN REPLY REFER TO
1070

Ser 0362D03

04632 July 1990

From: Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command

To: Commanding Officer
USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69)
FPO New York 09532-2830

Subj: MEDALS AND AWARDS IN CASE OF CAPT ROBERT CAMPBELL KILSTERMAN, USN

Ref: (a) Your letter 1070 Ser CVN 69-111/2413 of 26 August 1990 w/enc
(b) OPNAVNOTE 1650 Ser 09B33/7034207 of 6 May 1987

Our review of your record to determine your eligibility for the awards requested included (): all medals and awards earned ~~and~~ only those awards requested in reference (a)

PERSONAL DECORATIONS	ELI- GIBLE	FOUO	SEE NOTE	CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE MEDALS	ELI- GIBLE	FOUO	SEE NOTE
				NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL			
				ASIA CLASP			
				EUROPE CLASP			
				CHINA SERVICE MEDAL			
				NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL			
				KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL			
				UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL			
				VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL			
				HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL			
				AF EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL (LIBYA)	X		6
				NAVY 'E' RIBBON			
				RVN CAMPAIGN MEDAL			
				NAVY EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL (LIBYA)	X		6

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NOTE 1. Records fail to prove your eligibility for this award. If you can send us documents to show your entitlement, we will reconsider your request. Our complete address is: Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command (NMPC-0362D), Washington, DC 20370-5036.

NOTE 2. This award was previously issued.

NOTE 3. Your commanding officer may procure the medal (s) for you by submitting a standard MILSTRIP format requisition to the Defense Personnel Support Center, 2800 South 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19101.

NOTE 4. The Navy Department does not stock this ribbon bar. You may purchase it at stores selling military supplies.

NOTE 5. The fee for the medal (s) replaced is _____. Please send a copy of this letter with your check or postal money order, made payable to COMNAVMILPERSCOM, to: Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command (NMPC-0216), Washington, DC 20370-5021.

NOTE 6. The naval members aboard the USS America (C-66) during the period 1-17 April 1996 may choose between these two medals (per reference (b)), but no member may wear both for the same operation. In my previous reply of 29 June 1996, I advised the Navy Expeditionary Medal. If you prefer to wear the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, please return the Navy Expeditionary Medal for an exchange.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
NAVAL MILITARY PERSONNEL COMMAND
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20370-5000

IN REPLY REFER TO
1070

Ser 0362 DC

70-13-1990

From: Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command

To: Commanding Officer
USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVA-69)
FPO New York 09530-0830

SUB: MEDALS AND AWARDS IN CASE OF CDR ROBERT J. WILSTERTAN, USN

Ref: Subject Officer's letter of 15 May 1990

Encls: 6 medals, 3 award stars, 2 combat ribbons, and 1 award '15'

For review of your record to determine your eligibility for the awards requested included (1) all medals and awards earned (2) only those awards requested in reference (a)

PERSONAL DECORATIONS	ELIGIBLE	PA	SEE NOTE	CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE MEDALS	ELIGIBLE	PA	SEE NOTE
AIR MEDAL W/ALTERNATE '15'	X	X		NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE MEDAL			
NAVY COMBAT PUMPKIN MEDAL (3)	X	X		ASIA CLASP			
NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (2)	X	X		EUROPE CLASP			
MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL	X	X		CHINA SERVICE MEDAL			
				NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL	X		3, 6
				KOREAN SERVICE MEDAL			
				UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL			
				VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL	X	X	
				HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL			
				AF EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL			1
				NAVY 'E' RIBBON			
				RVA CAMPAIGN MEDAL W/DEVICE	X		4
				NAVY EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL (LIBYA)	X	X	

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NOTE 1. Records fail to prove your eligibility for this award. To be considered, send us documents to show your enlistment. We will reconsider your request. Our complete address is: Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command (NMPC-C362D), Washington, DC 20370-5036.

NOTE 2. This award was previously issued.

NOTE 3. Your commanding officer may procure the medal (s) for you by submitting a standard MILSTRIP format requisition to the Defense Personnel Support Center, 2801 South 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19101.

NOTE 4. The Navy Department does not stock this ribbon bar. You may purchase it at stores selling military supplies.

NOTE 5. The fee for the medal (s) replaced is . Please send a copy of this letter with your check or postal money order, made payable to COMNAVILPERSCOM, c/o Commander, Naval Military Personnel Command (NMPC-C216), Washington, DC 20370-5021.

NOTE: This medal is presently out of stock.

OFFICIAL RECORD

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COMMANDER
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
VIETNAM

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting
the Air Medal (First Strike/Flight Award) to

ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN
LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For meritorious achievement in aerial flight as a pilot while serving with Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron Three during missions in support of combat operations in Southeast Asia against North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors from 2 May to 15 May 1971. In the successful completion of such missions, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN materially contributed to the success of the United States' efforts in Southeast Asia. His courage and devotion to duty in the face of hazardous flying conditions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The numeral "1" to represent one strike/flight award is authorized.

For the President

R. S. Salzer

R. S. SALZER
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam

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COMMANDER
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
VIETNAM

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the
Air Medal (Second through Fifteenth Strike/Flight Awards) to

ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN
LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For meritorious achievement in aerial flight as a pilot while serving with Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron Three during missions in support of combat operations in Southeast Asia against North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors from May 1971 through February 1972. In the successful completion of such missions, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN materially contributed to the success of the United States' efforts in Southeast Asia. His courage and devotion to duty in the face of hazardous flying conditions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The numeral "15" to represent fifteen strike/flight awards is authorized.

For the President

R. S. Salzer

R. S. SALZER
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam

Final File No. 1042

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
U. S. NAVAL FORCES, VIETNAM
PO BOX 2410 SAN FRANCISCO 94133

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Ser. #1/PD- 733

7 FEB 1972

From: Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam
To: LTJG Robert KLOSTERMAN, USN, (D)(6)
Via: Officer in Charge, Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron
THREE, Detachment ONE, ISB Nam Can 96215

Subj: Combat Action Ribbon; eligibility for

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 1650.1D
(b) Your request of 20 Dec 1971 (NOTAL)

Encl: (1) Combat Action Ribbon

1. Under the provisions of reference (a), reference (b) is approved. Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam takes pleasure in awarding the Combat Action Ribbon.

2. Although eligibility may be established for other combat participation, either prior or subsequent to that authorized by this letter, only the ribbon bar may be worn. Only one award of the Combat Action Ribbon will be made for combat participation during the period 1 March 1961 to a date to be announced by the Secretary of the Navy, regardless of the area in which the action took place.

Ch. Barrett
E. M. BARRETT
Director for Administration

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United States Atlantic Fleet
Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the

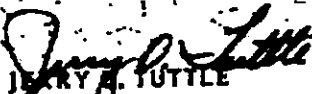
MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL to
COMMANDER ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For outstanding meritorious service from January 1986 through May 1987 as Commanding Officer, Attack Squadron FORTY-SIX. An inspiring and resourceful leader, Commander KLOSTERMAN demonstrated unsurpassed tactical judgment and a relentless dedication to excellence in molding his command into one of the most combat-ready squadrons within the United States Navy. His lucid grasp of priorities and inherent ability to promote morale were the single greatest factors in his squadron's outstanding record, highlighted by: Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Battle "E", Chief of Naval Operations Safety "5", and recognition as the Light Attack Wing ONE Maintenance Department of the Year. Leaving no area of readiness wanting, he dramatically improved aircraft reliability, pilot tactical training and operational readiness throughout the squadron. A zealous example, he inspired subordinates to aggressively achieve aviation excellence. Commander KLOSTERMAN's distinctive accomplishments and impressive devotion to duty upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President


JERRY A. TUTTLE

Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Deputy and Chief of Staff, U. S. Atlantic Fleet

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United States Atlantic Fleet

Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TAKES PLEASURE IN PRESENTING THE
MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF THE THIRD AWARD) TO

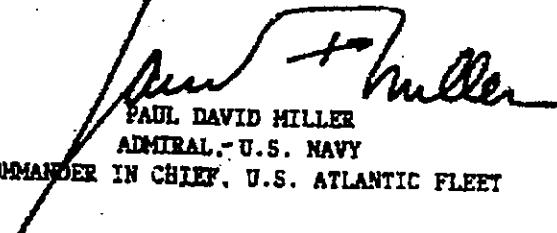
CAPTAIN ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN

UNITED STATES NAVY

FOR SERVICE AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING
CITATION:

FOR OUTSTANDING MERITORIOUS SERVICE FROM JUNE 1991 TO FEBRUARY 1992 AS ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR OPERATIONS AND READINESS ON THE STAFF OF COMMANDER, NAVAL AIR FORCE, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. CAPTAIN KLOSTERMAN'S SUSTAINED OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AND DECISIVE LEADERSHIP ENSURED MAXIMUM LEVELS OF READINESS AND CONTINUED OPERATIONAL SUCCESS OF NAVAL AIR CARRIERS, AIR WINGS, AND SUPPORTING UNITS. OVERCOMING INCREASING BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS AND NO RELAXATION OF OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, HE SUCCESSFULLY DIRECTED THE INTENSE DEMANDS OF ALL TRAINING, OPERATIONS, AND READINESS OF 9 AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, 6 AIR WINGS, AND OVER 1,600 AIRCRAFT IN SUPPORT OF FLEET DEPLOYMENTS AND MAJOR NATO EXERCISES. CONCURRENTLY, HE GUARANTEED THAT COMNAVAIRLANT'S ROLE IN COUNTERDRUG OPERATIONS WERE TIMELY AND MET WITH COMPLETE COVERAGE. HIS EXHAUSTIVE WORK WITH THE STAFFS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET, SECOND FLEET, AND PACIFIC FLEET NAVAL AIR FORCE ON INTERDEPLOYMENT TACTICAL TRAINING BROUGHT THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC FLEETS MUCH CLOSER TO TRUE STANDARDIZATION. HIS INNOVATIVE AND DECISIVE ACTIONS ON MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT EMPLOYMENT AND MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE LOGISTICS SUPPORT HELPED INITIATE CHANGES THAT WILL SAVE RESOURCES IN BOTH THE SHORT AND LONG TERM. CAPTAIN KLOSTERMAN'S DISTINCTIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND IMPRESSIVE DEVOTION TO DUTY UPHOLD THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

FOR THE PRESIDENT.


PAUL DAVID MILLER
ADMIRAL, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET



United States Atlantic Fleet
Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL to
COMMANDER ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For outstanding meritorious service from January 1986 through May 1987 as Commanding Officer, Attack Squadron FORTY-SIX. An inspiring and resourceful leader, Commander KLOSTERMAN demonstrated unsurpassed tactical judgment and a relentless dedication to excellence in molding his command into one of the most combat-ready squadrons within the United States Navy. His lucid grasp of priorities and inherent ability to promote morale were the single greatest factors in his squadron's outstanding record, highlighted by: Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Battle "E", Chief of Naval Operations Safety "5", and recognition as the Light Attack Wing ONE Maintenance Department of the Year. Leaving no area of readiness wanting, he dramatically improved aircraft reliability, pilot tactical training and operational readiness throughout the squadron. By zealous example, he inspired subordinates to aggressively achieve aviation excellence. Commander KLOSTERMAN's distinctive accomplishments and impressive dedication to duty upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President


JERRY P. TUTTLE

Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Deputy and Chief of Staff, U. S. Atlantic Fleet

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for service as set forth in the following

"For outstanding meritorious service as Commanding Officer of Attack Squadron FORTY SIX from 21 January 1986 to 9 May 1987. An inspiring and resourceful leader, Commander Klosterman demonstrated unsurpassed tactical judgment and a relentless dedication to excellence in molding his command into one of the most combat ready squadrons within the United States Navy. His lucid grasp of priorities and inherent ability to promote morale were the single greatest factors in his squadron's outstanding record, highlighted by: COMNAVAIRLANT Battle "E", CNO Safety "S", and recognition as the LATWING ONE Maintenance Department of the Year. Leaving no area of readiness wanting, he dramatically improved aircraft reliability, pilot tactical training and operational readiness throughout the squadron. By zealous example, he inspired subordinates to aggressively achieve aviation excellence. Commander Klosterman's superior performance and inspiring devotion to duty brought great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President

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United States Atlantic Fleet

Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

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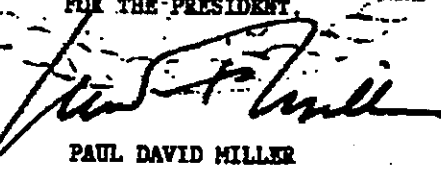
CAPTAIN ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN

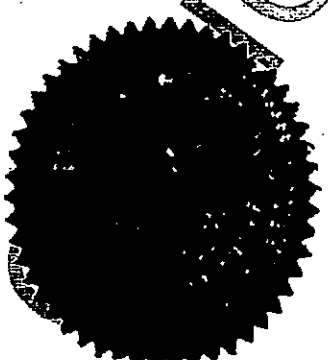
UNITED STATES NAVY

FOR SERVICE AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING
CITATION:

FOR OUTSTANDING MERITORIOUS SERVICE FROM MAY 1989 TO APRIL 1991 AS
EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69). AN
EXTRAORDINARILY RESOURCEFUL LEADER, CAPTAIN KLOSTERMAN INSPIRED A SPIRIT
OF COOPERATION, PRIDE, AND COMMITMENT AMONG THE CREW AND WAS A MAJOR
CATALYST IN UNPRECEDENTED LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT ACROSS A WIDE SPECTRUM
OF OPERATIONS. HIS CONSUMMATE MANAGERIAL SKILLS AND PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT
IN COORDINATING THE DAILY EFFORTS OF 19 SHIPBOARD DEPARTMENTS
SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCED MORALE AND COMBAT READINESS. HIS DAILY EMPHASIS
ON PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM, CLEANLINESS, AND IMPROVED MATERIAL
CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTED TO THE OUTSTANDING SUCCESS OF A SIX-MONTH
MEDITERRANEAN/RED SEA DEPLOYMENT, SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A FOUR-MONTH
SELECTED RESTRICTIVE AVAILABILITY, AND SUPERB PERFORMANCE DURING SEVERAL
MAJOR INSPECTIONS. THROUGH HIS UNCOMPROMISING HIGH STANDARDS, PERSONAL
EXAMPLE, AND UNBOUNDED ENERGY DURING THE PLANNING AND EXECUTION OF
OPERATIONS, HE WAS A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE CREW
AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE SHIP WINNING THE QUALITY OF LIFE EXCELLENCE
AWARD FOR 1989, AND THE GOLDEN ANCHOR AND BATTLE EFFICIENCY "E" AWARDS
FOR 1990. CAPTAIN KLOSTERMAN'S DISTINCTIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND
IMPRESSIVE DEVOTION TO DUTY UPHELD THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED
STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

FOR THE PRESIDENT


PAUL DAVID MILLER
ADMIRAL, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET





United States Atlantic Fleet
Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL to

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For the President

Jerry P. Tuttle
JERRY P. TUTTLE

Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Deputy and Chief of Staff, U. S. Atlantic Fleet

Final File NMPC-036114

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COMMANDER
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
VIETNAM

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
Navy Achievement Medal to

ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN
LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)
UNITED STATES NAVY

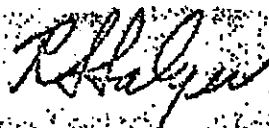
For service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For professional achievement while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam from April 1971 to March 1972. While serving with Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron Three, Detachment One, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN performed his duties in an exemplary manner. While serving as Detachment Maintenance and Weapons Officer, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN demonstrated outstanding leadership which resulted in maintaining his detachment at a high level of combat readiness. He was also Detachment Division Officer. In this capacity, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN instilled a high degree of safety consciousness and professionalism in his men. This accounted for the high morale and outstanding safety record of the detachment. He also participated in many projects to improve the detachment's defenses and living conditions. Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN's skill and judgment contributed significantly and directly to the successful accomplishment of the squadron's mission and to the United States' effort in Vietnam. He was often exposed to hostile fire while engaged in action against the enemy. His exemplary professionalism, devotion to duty, and courage under fire were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The Combat Distinguishing Device is authorized.

For the Secretary of the Navy



R. S. SALZER
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam

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ATTACK SQUADRON ONE SEVEN FOUR
U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA 32213

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL to

Robert C. KLOSTERMAN
Lieutenant Commander
U. S. Navy

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For sustained superior performance as the Maintenance Officer of Attack Squadron ONE SEVEN FOUR, the Navy's largest Tactical Jet Squadron. Although serving in a billet normally assigned to a post-operational department head, his leadership has been the driving force behind the success and superb reputation of his 600 man, 60 aircraft department. Despite severe personnel shortages and a 75% loss of TA-7C aircraft assets, he has met or exceeded all goals and operational commitments for aircraft, personnel tasking and/or logistical support. He has consistently received high grades on all LATWING ONE inspections and has reduced aircraft SPINACs by over 75%. Due to his efforts, maintenance productivity rose to support a 30% increase in flying to over 4000 flight hours annually and all without a maintenance related incident. Additionally, LCDR Klosterman is a foremost instructor pilot, fully qualified in all phases of FRS Training. He is an extremely competent and well-versed A-7E systems expert and capably maintains his tactical flying proficiency in spite of heavy demands upon his time from his departmental responsibilities.

CDR Klosterman's exceptional organizational ability and astute delegation of responsibilities enable him to be a leader amongst professionals. His outstanding leadership, and dedication to Naval Aviation excellence has reflected great credit upon himself, his command and the United States Naval Service."

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Naval Air Force United States Atlantic Fleet

Headquarters of the Commander

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting a Gold Star in lieu of the SECOND NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN

UNITED STATES NAVY

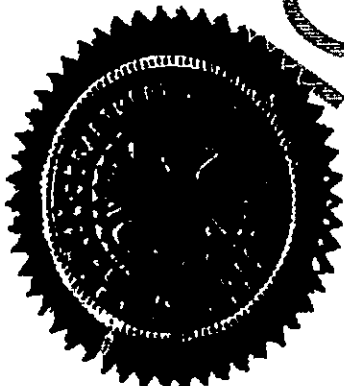
for service as set forth in the following
CITATION:

For meritorious service, while serving in Attack Squadron EIGHTY-SIX from 3 August 1981 to 1 June 1983. First as Operations Officer and then as Safety Officer and Maintenance Officer, Lieutenant Commander KLOSTERMAN laid the foundation for and subsequently led his Squadron to extraordinary achievements over a period of nearly two years. Meticulous attention to detail and uncompromising standards of performance were the tools which Lieutenant Commander KLOSTERMAN used to produce an unbroken series of successful Squadron evolutions, including eight hundred and forty-five consecutive scheduled sorties flown, flawless predeployment and mid-deployment corrosion audits and a grade of "Outstanding" on the Operational Readiness Evaluation. His efforts resulted in Attack Squadron EIGHTY-SIX receiving the 1982 Battle "E" Award. Lieutenant Commander KLOSTERMAN's exceptional professionalism, initiative and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service.

For the Secretary of the Navy,

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T. J. Kitchline

Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander Naval Air Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet



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Naval Air Force

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Headquarters of the Commander

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LIEUTENANT COMMANDER ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN

UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following
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For the Secretary of the Navy,

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T. J. Kitchin

Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander Naval Air Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet



COMMANDER
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
VIETNAM

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
Navy Commendation Medal to

ROBERT CHARLES KLOSTERMAN
LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE)
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For heroic achievement while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam. On 14 January 1972, while observing the refueling of an A1H America helicopter parked on the ready reaction line of Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron Three, Detachment One, located at Intermediate Support Base, Nam Can, he observed the aircraft, which was parked close to the base's main fuel bladder and ready ammunition storage area, suddenly burst into flames. Realizing the danger, Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN immediately ran to the aircraft with a fire extinguisher from the Seawolf reventments. By this time the fire was out of control. The pilot had secured the helicopter's engine, and had rapidly exited the burning aircraft. The helicopter crewman, already badly burned, could not control both the aircraft fire and a fire on the adjacent steel decking. With disregard for his personal safety, he advanced dangerously close to the extremely hot flames, directed a steady stream of CO2 into the engine compartment, and finally brought the fire under control. He thus prevented the destruction of a valuable aircraft and an explosion which would have resulted in great loss of life. Lieutenant (junior grade) KLOSTERMAN's exemplary professionalism and devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the Secretary of the Navy

R. S. Salzer

R. S. SALZER
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL (Gold Star in lieu of the Third Award) to

COMMANDER ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For heroic achievement in aerial flight on 15 April 1986 as a Pilot in an F-7E aircraft in Attack Squadron 46 embarked in USS AMERICA (C-66). Flying in support of simultaneous Navy and Air Force strikes to targets in Benghazi and Tripoli, Libya, Commander Klosterman was assigned the task of neutralizing SA-8 and Crotale surface-to-air missile sites, threatening the strike aircraft. Accurately acquiring and destroying two missile radar sites, he maintained constant readiness, anticipating the activation of additional, undetected surface-to-air missile systems moments prior to the scheduled target time. Without regard for personal safety, Commander Klosterman flew deep into the enemy missile threat, maneuvering not only to evade a volley of hostile missiles, but also to position himself close enough to rapidly and effectively destroy two more systems, threatening the approaching strike group. Commander Klosterman's unmatched courage, superb airmanship, and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of personal risk reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

The Combat Distinguishing Device is authorized.

John P. ...
Secretary of the Navy

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Republic of Vietnam

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An Myon Sector

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THE CHIEF OF JOINT GENERAL STAFF, RVNAF

- Considering Memorandum #528/TM/CP/HCH/FCIT of 1 July 1968;
- Considering Decree #74-b/QT of 15 August 1950 and the subsequent documents specifying the procedures to award the Gallantry Cross;
- Considering Memorandum #1366/TM/I/FCIT of May 1968, specifying the authority to award the Gallantry Cross;
- Considering JGS Instruction #635-402 of 23 February 1971;

A. CITES AT THE BRIGADE LEVEL

ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN, LTJG (b)(6) USN

Courageous Allied Officer, experienced in combat, having participated in nearly all operations and providing effective support to friendly forces. In an operation conducted on 27 February 1972 at Ca Mau, while the friendly units made heavy contact with the enemy troops, he, disregarding the danger of enemy intense anti-aircraft fire, directed the friendly units to open accurate fire on the targets in support of the friendly units to conduct fierce counterattacks. After an hour of firefight, the enemy fled. As a result, six Viet Cong soldiers were killed, one M16 rifle, one carbine, one pistol 11.45 and quantities of ammunition and equipments were captured.

These citations are accompanied with the Gallantry Cross with a Bronze Star.

APD 4938, 18 March 1972

For General CAO VAN VINH
Chief of Joint General Staff, RVNAF
Colonel NGUYEN VAN THU
Commander An Myon Sector
(s/s)

Certified translation by

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Interpreter/Translator

U.S. Naval Advisory Group, MACV



By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States and as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, I have today awarded

THE PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION (NAVY)

FOR EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM TO

HELICOPTER ATTACK (LIGHT) SQUADRON THREE

For extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action against enemy forces in the Republic of Vietnam from 1 July 1970 to 31 December 1971. Throughout this period, Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron THREE, operating in the THIRD and FOURTH Military Regions of the Republic of Vietnam, successfully executed its primary mission of providing quick reaction close air support and combat logistic support for United States and Vietnamese military forces on the rivers and coast of the Vietnam Delta Region. Additionally, the squadron flew countless missions in support of Vietnamese units and earned an excellent reputation and respect among the Vietnamese ground forces. The support provided by Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron THREE's gunship helicopters with their quick reaction capability and logistic helicopters with their completion of innumerable medical evacuation, logistic support and troop insertion missions, contributed substantially to the morale and combat effectiveness of the ground units. The squadron's operations were consistently characterized by sensible tactics and meticulous adherence to the rules of engagement, ensuring maximum deterrence of the enemy with minimum risk to friendly troops and civilians. By their outstanding courage, resourcefulness and aggressive fighting spirit in combat against a frequently well-equipped, well-trained and often numerically superior enemy, the officers and men of Helicopter Attack (Light) Squadron THREE reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

Richard Nixon

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-1000

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the
LEGION OF MERIT to

CAPTAIN ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer of USS L' SALLE (AGF 3) from February 1992 through March 1993. Captain Klosterman's extraordinary leadership resulted in across the board improvements in the Commander, United States Naval Forces Central Command's flagship. His thorough preparation and detailed training plan resulted in the ship's most successful Operational Propulsion Plant Examination in a decade with improvements in all graded areas and his Quality Assurance program singled out as the best in the Surface Navy. Captain Klosterman's persistent emphasis on training, high standards, and maintenance of the C4I suite created a ship that met all commitments in the Arabian Gulf despite long supply lines, including combat operations in support of Operation SOUTHERN WATCH and sustained RESTORE HOPE and DESERT STORM operations. Maintaining the highest standards of personal leadership, Captain Klosterman effected substantial and significant improvements in material condition, cleanliness, operational and combat readiness, crew morale and pride and Arab-American relations. By his outstanding leadership, commendable innovation, and inspiring dedication to duty, Captain Klosterman reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President,

F. B. Kelsor II

Secretary of the Navy
Acting

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25 MAY 1972

From: Commanding Officer, Training Squadron NINE
To: LT Robert C. KLOSTEPMAN, USN, (b)(6) /1910

Subj: Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Bronze
Star Authorization: delivery of

1. Delivered with congratulations.

G. B. DOEBBLER

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UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY
Annapolis, Maryland

11 September 1967
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From: Commandant of Midshipmen
To: *ROBERT R. MAN* ROBERT R.
Subj: National Defense Service Medal; award of
Ref: (a) Art. 531.21, SECNAVINST 1650.1C
(Subj: Navy and Marine Corps Awards Manual)

1. In accordance with reference (a), you are hereby awarded the National Defense Service Medal by virtue of your eligibility for this medal, under the requirements of reference (a), as amended by Executive Order 11265, 11 January 1966, for service on active duty at any time after 26 June 1950 and before 28 July 1954, or after 31 December 1960 and before a terminal date to be announced.

R. G. Colquhoun
R. G. COLQUHOUN
By direction

Copy to:
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OFFICIAL RECORD



Chief of Naval Operations

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the
LEGION OF MERIT (Gold Star in lieu of the Second Award) to

CAPTAIN ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer, Precommissioning Unit JOHN C. STENNIS and Commanding Officer, USS JOHN C. STENNIS (CVN 74) from November 1993 through March 1997. Captain Klosterman's inspirational leadership, visionary accomplishments, and zealous pursuit of excellence delivered to the Nation and the U.S. Navy the most modern and technologically advanced nuclear-powered aircraft carrier in the world. Through astute management of fiscal, material, and personnel resources, he avoided over 1.3 million man-hours in new construction, realized over \$75 million in savings to taxpayers, and delivered the ship over seven and one-half months ahead of schedule. His many initiatives and "look ahead" philosophy enabled the ship to attain unprecedented levels of achievement in every area of material condition and operational performance for a NIMITZ-class ship. His insistence on quality was a catalyst that imbued his Sailors with honor, courage, and commitment, established benchmark standards of excellence, and delivered a national asset poised to launch the Navy into the 21st Century. By his outstanding leadership, commendable innovation, and inspiring dedication to duty, Captain Klosterman reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the President,

J. L. JOHNSON
Admiral, United States Navy
Chief of Naval Operations

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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

GALLANTRY CROSS

Citation at the **Brigade** level

PHUOT C. HOANG - **DEC** - **(b)(6)**

FOR HIS COURAGE UNDER THE ENEMY FIRE

Control No. 85
Captain **WU DAI HAP**
Chief of Bureau in Japan Sector

This citation includes the
Gallantry Cross with a **Bronze** Star
Official Order { No. **066/TCM/CL/AMT**
Dated **Mar 20, 1972**

Thurston
Certified translation by
VU DUY ANH, Translator/Interpreter
U.S. Naval Advisory Group, MACV

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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

GALLANTRY CROSS

Citation at the ~~Brigade~~ level:

~~LT C. STONEMAN - 1331 - (b)(6) - 1331~~

" HIS COURAGE UNDER THE ENEMY FIRE "

Apex Sector

This citation includes the
Gallantry Cross with a ~~Brigade~~ Star

Official { No. 046/TBX/CL/ADMT
Order { Dated 20, 1972

AND 1331 March 20, 1972
Colonel STONEMAN WAS THE
Commander At Apex Sector
(a/s)

by
Interpreter
up, MACV



THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to

USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69)
AND
CARRIER AIR WING SEVEN CVW

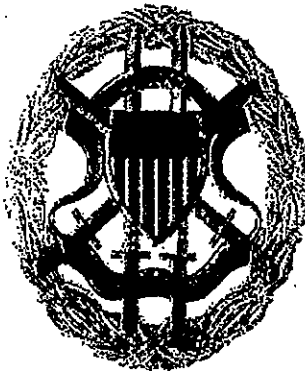
for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For meritorious service during Mediterranean Deployment 2-90 from 8 March 1990 to 12 September 1990. USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER/Carrier Air Wing SEVEN team achieved unprecedented mastery of fleet tactics and maintained outstanding operational readiness through exceptionally high aircraft readiness, wide-ranging tactical development, and through innovative training concepts. They significantly enhanced Battle Group operational capabilities with the highly successful first deployments of the F-14A(PLUS), S-3B, and integration of the Stand-Off Land Attack Missile (AGM-84). Their successful integration of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Airborne Warning and Control System and superb performance in a myriad of multi-national and NATO exercises promoted exceptional goodwill and interoperability with numerous allied and friendly nations. Following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, this extraordinary ship/Air Wing team responded superbly on short notice and in 36 hours was on-scene in the Red Sea with a credible deterrent force. IKE/CVW-7 maintained peak combat readiness during 24 hour continuous operations for a critical fifteen-day period in support of Operation DESERT SHIELD. By their continuous display of professionalism, teamwork, and total devotion to duty, the officers and enlisted personnel of USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER and Carrier Air Wing SEVEN reflected credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

Secretary of the Navy

KLOSTERMAN, ROBERT C. CAPT/USN (b)(6) /1310



Citation
TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE
Defense Superior Service Medal
TO
ROBERT C. KLOSTERMAN

Captain Robert C. Klosterman, United States Navy, distinguished himself by exceptionally superior service while serving as Chief of Current Operations Division, United States Atlantic Command, from April 1997 to November 1997. Captain Klosterman served with extraordinary dedication, professionalism and skill, achieving exceptional success in matters of vital importance to the national security of the United States. Captain Klosterman consistently applied visionary leadership in joint operations, refining and implementing USACOM's role as joint force provider and integrator. His successful efforts ensured that supported Combatant Commanders were provided the ready, trained and capable forces necessary to meet their warfighting requirements. Drawing upon his vast operational experience, he skillfully facilitated the sourcing decisions for key High Demand/Low Density assets. Captain Klosterman was instrumental in USACOM's implementation of the 1 June 97 Unified Command Plan change which directed a transition of a portion of USACOM's responsibilities to United States Southern Command. Captain Klosterman directed an aggressive program for providing counterdrug training for Mexican military personnel as part of a Department of Defense initiative to increase military-to-military contacts between the United States and Mexico and to reduce the flow of illegal drugs into the United States. He led a comprehensive review of all Joint Task Force Six counterdrug operations resulting in strategic USACOM policy recommendations. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Captain Klosterman culminate a distinguished career in the service of his country and reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Navy, and the Department of Defense.